

# Two charged with attempted murder

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Two people are facing charges of attempted murder and robbery after an incident Monday evening in Acton.

Det. Sgt. Ron Welsh of Halton Regional Police said a 23-year-old woman living in an apartment on Mill St. opened

her door and invited two people in Monday at 5:45 p.m. She knew the pair, since they were friends of someone living the same apartment building.

Her assailants had a cast iron frying pan and asked her if she had something they could use to clean it, Welsh said.

When her back was turned, the woman was struck on the

head with the frying pan.

The woman didn't lose consciousness, but fell to the floor. Welsh said someone found the woman and called police. She was taken to Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital where she was treated for injuries to her head, back and neck, then released.

A short time later police

arrested a 16-year-old Acton youth at his home. A warrant was issued for the arrest of an 18-year-old Brampton resident who turned himself in to the Peel Regional Police.

Both the youth, whose name can't be released because he is protected under the Young Offenders Act, and 18-year-old Robert Patrick Farrell of

Grassington Cr., in Brampton, face charges of attempt murder and robbery. The youth was also charged with failing to comply with probation charges.

During a bail hearing Wednesday, the Acton youth was remained in custody until Feb. 15, while Farrell was released on \$20,000 bail, Welsh said.

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### No laughing matter

The Acton Free Press/Georgetown Independent and Acton BIA who are joining forces to put a smile on everyone's faces.

In conjunction with Lighten Up Canada Day on February 6 (not Feb. 5), we're holding a joke contest. Three winners, judged to have the best jokes, will be selected to each win an Acton BIA \$10 cheque. These cheques can be spent on great items in the more than 40 quality stores in downtown Acton.

You can fax, mail or drop off your jokes. Our fax number is 873-0398. Our mailing address is 211 Armstrong Ave., Georgetown, Ont. L7G 4X5. Or you can drop off the joke at our mailbox, downstairs in the Acton Community Centre, or at 211 Armstrong Ave, Georgetown.

Please include your name, telephone and address with your entry.

Deadline for entries is Friday, February 9.

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In celebration of their 30th anniversary, members of the Palette and Pencil Club of Halton Hills officially opened their annual art show and sale of original works in the Gallery of Halton Hills Cultural Centre on Wednesday night. Members (from left) Shirley Brambley,

Una O'Callahan and Wendy Mount were among the many artists on hand to display their art. The show, which runs until Feb. 25, features 45 works by 12 local artists in a number of different media, including oils, watercolors and acrylics. TED BROWN photo

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